

WELL WORN ROADS OF THE EXPIRING YEAR. 1913. IN THE REALM OF SPORT

HOLIDAYS RESULT IN BIG SOCCER CHANGES

Blackburn Rovers by Two Wins
Again Land at Top of
First Division.

ENGLISH TEAMS ARE BUSY

Woolwich Arsenal With Triple
Victory Ties for Lead
in League II.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The three Christmas holidays were taken full advantage of by footballers throughout England this week and some interesting changes in the tables are noticeable, particularly in League II, where Woolwich Arsenal, by three successive wins, two over the strong Bradford side, are now tied for first place. The attraction in the first division of the English Association Football League today was the meeting of the two London clubs, Tottenham Hotspur and Chelsea, on the ground of the former. Chelsea won by a 2 to 1 margin. Blackburn Rovers are at the top of this division, through beating Preston North End yesterday and Christmas Day by 5 to 1 and 5 to 0 respectively and drawing at Liverpool today, 2 to 2.

THE LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION.
Sheff. United, 1; Derby County, 0.
Oxford Athletic, 1; Bolton Wanderers, 0.
Manchester United, 1; Stoke Newington, 0.
Barnley, 1; W. Bromwich Albion, 0.
Preston North End, 1; Everton, 0.
Newcastle United, 1; Sunderland, 0.
Liverpool, 2; Blackburn Rovers, 2.
Aston Villa, 1; Bradford City, 0.
Wolverhampton, 1; Manchester City, 0.
Tottenham Hotspur, 1; Chelsea, 2.

In the second division two London Orient supplied the opposition. Fulham beat their neighbors by 2 to 0. Notts County entertained Grimsby Town and made amends for their recent failure by romping home to the extent of 4 to 0. The results:

THE LEAGUE—SECOND DIVISION.
Bury, 1; Huddersfield, 0.
Glossop, 1; Leeds City, 0.
Southport, 1; Bolton Wanderers, 0.
Bradford, 1; Birmingham, 0.
Notts County, 1; W. Bromwich Albion, 0.
Leicester Fosse, 1; Woolwich Arsenal, 0.
Wolverhampton W., 1; Notts Forest, 0.
Lincoln City, 1; Lincoln City, 0.
Fulham, 2; Tottenham Hotspur, 0.

At the home teams in the Southern League played true to form, not one being beaten. Six won their games and four shared the points. Swindon Town, still at the top, beat West Ham United, by 4 to 1.

Queen's Park Rangers played a drawn game with Tullaghan. This is the most improved team in this league and has gone from last to seventh place. The results:

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.
Queens Park Rangers, 1; Tullaghan, 1.
Reading, 1; Crystal Palace, 0.
Southampton, 1; Coventry City, 0.
Southend United, 1; Watford, 0.
Queens Park Rangers, 1; West Ham United, 1.
Reading, 1; Plymouth Argyle, 0.

The standing of the teams in the different leagues follows:

	P	W	D	L	Pts	Goals
Full City	20	11	2	7	24	28
Colchester Arsenal	20	12	4	4	28	28
Souths County	22	11	3	8	25	33
Walsley	20	10	3	7	23	28
Walsley	20	10	3	7	23	28
Wolverhampton W	20	10	6	4	24	24
Walsley	20	10	3	7	23	28
Walsley	20	9	7	4	28	20
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